

House Resolution No. 3635

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens, particularly its public servants; and

Whereas, the members now pause to recognize Mimi Garstang, of Rolla, Missouri, who will step down from her position as the Division Director and Missouri State Geologist for the Missouri Department of Resources, Division of Geology and Land Survey, on August 1, 2008, after nearly thirty years of loyal and dedicated service; and

Whereas, Mimi Garstang has worked for the Department of Natural Resources, Division of Geology and Land Survey since 1979, beginning as a geologic technician, working her way to become Assistant State Geologist in 1994, ultimately becoming the first female State Geologist in 2000; and

Whereas, Mimi Garstang has worked on or directed a multitude of studies ranging from mine subsidence to hazardous waste and nuclear waste site remediation, and she has served as the departmental lead in negotiations dealing with sensitive issues such as the Times Beach dioxin site, the Weldon Spring Chemical Plant site, the St. Louis Airport radioactive waste site, and as the governor's representative in interstate river issues; and

Whereas, Mimi Garstang has served on numerous boards and commissions, including the Missouri Well Installation Board, the Missouri Land Reclamation Commission, Missouri Geology Registration Board, Missouri River Basin Association, Mississippi River Basin Association, and the Central United States Earthquake Consortium; and

Whereas, Mimi Garstang is a member of the Association of Environmental and Engineering Geologists, Association of Missouri Geologists, American Institute of Professional Geologists, and Association of American State Geologists; and

Whereas, a faithful member of the First Baptist Church of Rolla, Mimi Garstang is the proud wife of Dennis; beloved mother of Brad and his wife, Adrienne, Brian and his wife, Holly, and Kyle and his wife, Crystal; and devoted grandmother of Will, BreAnna, and Nathan:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our most sincere congratulations to Mimi Garstang on the illustrious occasion of her retirement, with our very best wishes for continued happiness and success; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mimi Garstang, as a measure of our esteem and gratitude.

Offered by _____

Representative Bob May
District No. 149

Representative Jason Smith
District No. 150

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3635, adopted July 17, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker